

D.O. ~~J~~ FYI - please return 09.4.84

Dear George:

Thank you very much indeed for your letters. I am very glad to see them.

I have <sup>just</sup> returned my home from hospital. Because I ~~am~~ was in the hospital for my kidney stone trouble. from this middle of Summer.

Now I am arranging data's which you mentioned to me.

I would like make sure on marine debris trouble in sea turtles in waters adjacent to Japan. as soon as possible.

If I can get permission from my doctor. I would like to <sup>(medical)</sup> attend meeting which you mentioned

to me


Any assistance that you can provide on this workshop would be greatly appreciate.

I am looking forward to meeting you again in near future.

With best regards and many thanks.

Sincerely,

Istane Uchida



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Oct/13 '84

Dear George:

I am sorry it's too late to send a datas of marine debris on sea turtles in Japan. We couldn't find any published datas in Japan which you requested to me.

So I have to make such table from our observed materials.

We have much more datas on marine debris on sea turtles, waters adjacent to Japan. But now, I couldn't find

all of them from our research material room. Because the room is not

kept in good order. on marine debris on sea turtles.



Best wishes to your successful  
research on your presentation.

I hope you enjoy reading them.

Sincerely

I. Uchida

P/s. ①. I don't know on sea turtle Tag  
which you mentioned to me by color slide.  
we used to provide yellow plastic  
dalton ear tag and Monel tag.  
I never seen such tag.

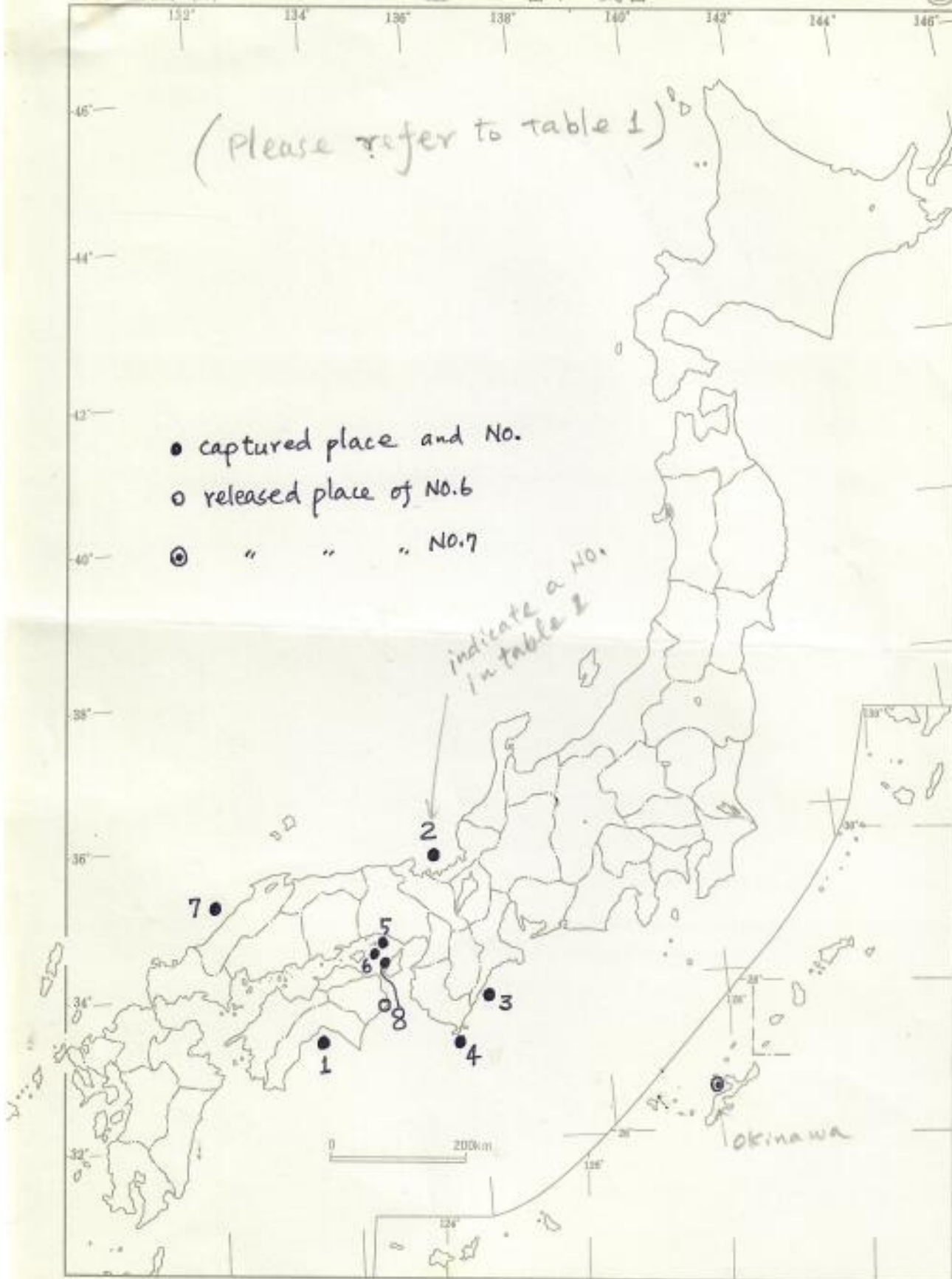
②. would you let me know on fixed  
schedule of workshop in Honolulu.  
I would like to join it after got a  
permission from medical doctor.



(Please refer to table 1)

- captured place and No.
- released place of No.6
- ◎ " " " No.7

indicate a NO. in table 2



Nov. 6, 1984

Dear George:

I have just received your letter dated 29 October just after sent a letter for you on color picture.

Turtle NO.6 and 7 are raised in captivity from hatching prior to release.

Turtle NO.8 vinyl discharged from cloaca.

First, twisted vinyl appeared in cloaca about five centimeters, then we pull it out from cloaca.

I hope I can be of some help to you.

Best regards,

Itaru Uchida

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Nov. 4th 1984

MR. George Balazs  
U.S. Department of  
Commerce

Dear George:

I am very happy to see your letter.  
Thank you very much for your enclosed second  
announcement of workshop. My trip plan  
to Honolulu is still pending. Because  
my medical doctor does not decide about  
my trip still now. I hope to see  
you again in Honolulu.

I dow about my color photos. Is it helpful  
to understand Japanese status?

Of course I will give you my enclosed  
color photos. If you want to make color slides  
from color photos which I enclosed my letter.  
Don't hesitate to order me. I will make  
color slide from <sup>my</sup> negative films as soon  
as possible.

With best regards.

Itaru Uchida



# Himeji City Aquarium

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17th Feb. 1985

Dear George :

Thank you very much for your letter and draft papers which you presented. It was very interest and instructive to me. I had handed your draft and message to Mr.K.Kanda. He was also send a greatly appreciat to you.

If Mr.Kanda realized any news papper and article on marine debris, I will sent its for you as soon as possible.

In this late August to early September, the 40th anual conference of IUDZG (International Union of Directors of Zoological Gardens) will held in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. I will attend the conference as a member.

During my trip to Calgary I will stopoff at Honolullu to meet you. After decided my trip plan I would like to write you again.

With best regards and many thanks. I remain

Sincerely

  
Itaru Uchida





DEAR MR. BALAZS. I'm a reporter of PRESS THE MAINICHI,  
one of nationwide papers in my country. <sup>last</sup> ~~last~~ winter.

Itearu Uchida, director of Himeji public aquarium, told me  
you would report ~~about~~ the problem ~~about~~ turtles <sup>in</sup> <sup>entangled</sup>  
debris or eating synthetic debris, in a workshop on  
the fate and impact of marine debris <sup>held</sup> in Honolulu.  
I'm interested in wild animals and ~~some~~ <sup>other</sup> environmental

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problems. As you know, Japan ~~has~~ <sup>has</sup> been industrialized in 1960's & 70's. But that made lots of pollution ~~is~~ everywhere.

Now we must think what we did and what we will do. Still we use so many synthetic things, and some of them are thrown into <sup>the</sup> sea. But research is behind.

I want to appeal the importance to examine how Japanese islands are covered with synthetic things. So I ~~want~~ <sup>would like</sup> to

help you to make an article. I ask you to answer the following questions, please.

1. What do you think of this problem? What do you think we must do? And is there any solution?
2. Contents of your report about turtles in that workshop.
3. The draft of advice to the NMFS.
4. If other scientists presented papers about other animals, I would

like to know <sup>the</sup> summaries.

I'm sorry to trouble you, but  
Please send me back by an envelope I sent. I would

like to make an article as much as I can.

Sincerely yours.

Jan. 17.

24 January 1985

Dear Itaru -

Recently I received a letter from a Kazunori Kanda asking about the Marine Debris Workshop held here in Honolulu. The final reports are not yet completed. However, I have enclosed a draft paper that I presented, as well as other material for him. Would you please give this to him, since his address is in your same Himeji City. Thank you very much. Would you please send me a copy of any newspaper articles that he publishes?

I hope that this will be helpful.

Best regards,  
Georg Balazs